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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S): Francois Mach

APPLICATION NUMBER: 09/664,871

EXAMINER: San-ming Hui

FILING DATE: September 19, 2000

ART UNIT: 1617

FOR: *STATINS (HMG-CoA REDUCTASE INHIBITORS) AS A NOVEL TYPE OF
IMMUNOMODULATOR, IMMUNOSUPPRESSOR AND ANTI-
INFLAMMATORY AGENT*

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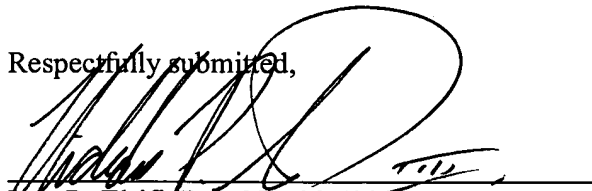
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the August 13, 2002, Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before December 13, 2002. A check in the amount of \$55.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), is enclosed herewith.

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